

CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated:

- 1 1. (original) A swimsuit comprising:
- 2 (a) a loop adapted to at least partially encircle a human waist;
- 3 (b) a swimsuit body separable at at least one location by decoupling a corresponding
- 4 fastening device thereat; and
- 5 (c) a storage compartment on the swimsuit body for compactly stowing the body
- 6 wherein the loop is positioned relative to the swimsuit body so that when said fastening
- 7 device is engaged, the swimsuit may be worn by a human.
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- 1 2. (original) The swimsuit of claim 1 wherein said loop is adapted to completely encircle said
- 2 human waist.
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- 1 3. (original) The swimsuit of claim 1 wherein said loop is selected from the group consisting of
- 2 (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular member.
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- 1 4. (original) The swimsuit of claim 3 wherein said chain comprises a material resistant to
- 2 corrosion.
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- 1 5. (original) A method of removing a swimsuit separable at at least one point by a fastening

- 2 device while leaving it attached to a human body, comprising:
- 3 (a) decoupling at least one fastening device on a body of the swimsuit;
- 4 (b) compacting the body of the swimsuit into a small space;
- 5 (c) storing the compacted body of the swimsuit using at least one storage
- 6 compartment on the body of the swimsuit; and
- 7 (d) using a loop at least partially encircling the human body for supporting the
- 8 swimsuit on the human body.
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- 1 6. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein the storing of the compacted body of the swimsuit
- 2 using the at least one storage compartment is performed through an opening at an end of
- 3 the at least one storage compartment.
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- 1 7. (original) The method of claim 5 wherein the at least one storage compartment comprises two
- 2 storage compartments.
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- 1 8. (currently amended) A method of making a collapsible swimsuit comprising:
- 2 (a) separating a swimsuit body at at least one position;
- 3 (b) attaching a piece of material to said body of the swimsuit and defining a storage
- 4 compartment therebetween;
- 5 (c) attaching at least one fastening device to the swimsuit at the at least one
- 6 separation position, the at least one fastening device enabling fastening of on
- 7 portion of the swimsuit body to another portion of the swimsuit body; and

8 (d) attaching a loop capable of at least partially enclosing a human waist to the
9 swimsuit.

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1 9. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said loop is capable of completely encircling a
2 human waist.

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1 10. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said loop is selected from the group consisting of
2 (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular element.

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1 11. (original) A swimsuit comprising:

2 (a) a loop adapted to at least partially encircle a human waist;

3 (b) a body having a front end and a rear end, the front end having a width greater than
4 the rear end;

5 (c) a fastener for detachably coupling the rear end of the body to said loop; and

6 (d) a storage compartment on the front of the swimsuit for compactly stowing the
7 body

8 wherein the loop is positioned relative to the swimsuit body so that when said fastener is
9 attached, the swimsuit may be worn by a human.

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1 12. (original) The swimsuit of claim 11 wherein said loop is adapted to completely encircle said
2 human waist.

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1 13. (original) The swimsuit of claim 11 wherein said loop is selected from the group consisting
2 of (i) a decorative chain, and, (ii) a tubular member.

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4 14. (original) The swimsuit of claim 13 wherein said chain comprises a material resistant to
5 corrosion.

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